

**Amended**  
**Notice Of Objection**  
**Controlled Hunt #1157**

**BEFORE THE OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES LICENSING BOARD**

**STATE OF IDAHO**

In the Matter of the Designation of  
Allocated Tags for Controlled Hunt 1157

Wild Idaho Outfitters, LLC  
License No. 14245

Middlefork Ranch, Inc.  
License No. 254

Petitioners/Objectors,

**AMENDED NOTICE OF OBJECTION**

**YOU AND EACH OF YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board ("Board") received two objections to the calculation for the designation of allocated tags for the following hunt:

- Controlled Hunt No. 1157

The objections will be considered pursuant to the provisions of IDAPA 24.35.01.057.10. The objecting outfitters also appear to have submitted this matter as petitions for reconsideration pursuant to I.C. § 67-5246(4). The objections/petitions can be accessed on the Board's website under the Allocated Tags link and selecting 2021 Objections to Calculations.

YOU ARE FURTHER ADVISED that as an outfitter in this hunt, you have the right to this notice. If you wish the Board to consider any additional information pertaining to the hunt you are in, you must submit the information on or before Friday, June 11, 2021 through email at [oglb.allocation@oglb.idaho.gov](mailto:oglb.allocation@oglb.idaho.gov) or fax at 208-488-7528.

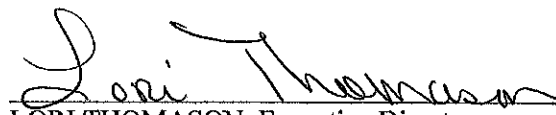
The Board will take this matter up at its Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Mountain Time. Agenda and attendance information through Zoom/teleconference/video conference or in person is available through the Board's website.

YOU ARE ADVISED that all further communication in this matter will be done by email, unless you notify us in writing that you want to receive communications by mail or fax.

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 10th day of June, 2021, I caused to be served, by the method(s) indicated, a true and correct copy of the foregoing upon:

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Diamond D Ranch, Inc., # 88 diadlld@aol.com	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Email
Elk Springs Outfitters, LLC, #21742 caleb_hartsock@yahoo.com	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Email
Flying Resort Ranches, Inc., #114 flyingresort@gmail.com	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Email
Idaho Wilderness Company, #5078 info@idahowildernesscompany.com	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Email
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LORI THOMASON, Executive Director  
Idaho Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board

**Appeal Letters of Objection**  
**Wild Idaho**  
**And**  
**Middle Fork Ranch dba Pistol**  
**Creek Outfitters**

**Lori K. Thomason**

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**From:** mike narachi <mikenarachi@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 08, 2021 9:15 PM  
**To:** OGLB Allocation; Lori K. Thomason  
**Cc:** Middlefork Ranch Inc pistol creek outfitters; Middle Ranch; Warren Drake  
**Subject:** Objection letter  
**Attachments:** Objection Letter to IOGLB 6-8-21.docx

Letter of Objection Regarding Controlled Hunt # 1157  
Middle Fork Ranch, DBA Pistol Creek Outfitters

June 8, 2021

Dear IOGLB  
Attention to Lori Thomason:

This is a letter of objection to the "final decision" on the allocated tags for controlled hunt # 1157. Your records, which I am told are based off our use reports, indicates that we used zero allocated tags in 2019 and four allocated tags in 2020, and zero non-allocated tags in 2019 and 2020 and therefore granted us four allocated tags for controlled hunt #1157 for 2021.

Our records indicate that we actually used 12 controlled hunt #1157 tags in 2019 and 11 controlled hunt tags in 2020. Our outfit has historically been granted and used a similar amount of 12 allocated tags each year. Apparently, there was some confusion when the form was filled out for the column in question, but our use report does accurately indicate how many controlled hunt tags we used for each of the two years. As additional evidence the tag numbers used are listed below.

The tag numbers we used in 2019 were:

401-19-000198  
401-19-000199  
401-19-000200  
401-19-000201  
401-19-000202  
401-19-000203  
401-19-000204  
401-19-000205  
401-19-000981  
401-19-000982

401-19-000983

401-19-000984

The tag numbers we used in 2020 include:

401-20-000XXX ending in numbers 93,94,95,96,96,98

and five additional tags for which we are locating the numbers.

We have already booked 12 hunts for the 2021 season that require controlled hunt tags, assuming we would get the same allocation as in prior years based on our use in 2019 and 2020. We respectfully request the same twelve allocated CH 1157 tags as we have received and used in prior years.

Sincerely,

Mike Narachi

Designated Agent

Pistol Creek Outfitters

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# **Wild Idaho**

## **Appeal Letter**

June 5, 2021

This is my appeal and request for reconsideration related to the results of your "final decision" related to hunt number 1157.

Just a quick glance at "step 1", SCREAMS something is wrong. Do you honestly believe that only 1 out of (evidently 8) outfitters with allocated tags used those tags? Oddly enough, that 1 outfitter that did report correctly is a current board member. Nothing to see here folks.

So, let's just look at outfitter A. They claim zero allocated use, but 6 non allocated tags used in 2019 and then 7 allocated tags used in 2020, but no additional tags. Did anyone stop to think that maybe there was something up with the reporting?

Look at outfitter K. Same thing only 11 used the second year. My guess simply based on the information on these charts is that outfitter K had an allocation of 11 and was simply reporting incorrectly in 2019. I sure know that I did.

I used all my allocated tags plus some draw tags and simply reported incorrectly on the R-4 form for both 2019 and 2020. I will own that mistake, but what you need to understand about me making this appeal, is that I have nothing to gain and only a potential for loss.

I gained a tag and preserved my allocation, which was my goal all along. If there were additional tags allocated by the F&G commission, obviously I would love to be a beneficiary of some of those.

My main and only purpose for this appeal is see that NO ONE lose tags because of your laziness or stubbornness (let's go with stubbornness because it sounds softer than calling y'all a bunch of lazy yeller Cur's), or their inadvertent incorrect reporting.

You see, we have been reporting this hunt for many years. I for one, had no idea that the hunt number changed in 2019. Looking at step 1 on your report tells me that at least 7 other outfitters had no idea either.

I am on record as being an ardent opponent of relying solely on use reports for the actual numbers, in my mind, this (or any controlled hunt for that matter) would be the easiest hunts to confirm use of allocated tags. It is/was my understanding as well that you would rely on use reports or "best possible numbers". Admittedly I have not read the newest version of the "new and improved allocation bill" that superseded the horrible first attempt at a "new and improved allocation bill" albeit this one still stinks!

Let me explain:

Allocated "vouchers" come in 2-part blue and white paper with a large red "control" number that is probably accounted for before it ever leaves your possession. It is sent to the outfitter with the outfitters name and license number already on it.

Next, that voucher is filled out with a hunter's name and address along with an "outfitter certification" form (this is an IDFG form) and submitted to IDFG for the controlled hunt in question by the outfitter.

IDFG does their part and takes our (the hunter's money) and issues a tag with what I assume would be a copy of the voucher control number somewhere on that tag. At the very least, they write it on the outfitter certification and hand that back to the outfitter WITH the blue copy of the voucher submitted and I assume they keep the white copy which allegedly makes it full circle back to you folks.

Now, that is a large paperwork trail that seems like at some point could be verified by the licensing board if you were so inclined.

Finally, there are only 73 tags allocated to nonresidents as draw tags. It is a mathematical improbability for us to acquire the lion's share of those tags for outfitter use only.

For the fact that the reports were wrong and that "probably" everyone used their allocated tags, I would request that you reconsider the number related to this and any other controlled hunts where this approach was taken without taking the time to verify voucher use.

Sincerely,

George McQuiston

DA, Wild Idaho Outfitters, Inc

## Lori K. Thomason

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**From:** George McQuiston <George@WildIdahoOutfitters.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 06, 2021 9:18 AM  
**To:** The Idaho Outfitters & Guides Licensing Board  
**Cc:** joan@naylorhales.com; Lori K. Thomason  
**Subject:** Appeal top board decision related to control hunt number 1157  
**Attachments:** Appeal to numbers related to controlled hunts in general but specifically 1157.pdf

Attached is my appeal to controlled hunt numbers. I am in backcountry from today until July 1 and cannot be reached except through Monica by satellite text.

Have a Great Day!

**George McQuiston**  
Owner / Guide



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